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THE PRIZES.

The following is a partial list of the prizes to be distributed at the September drawing, to which additions will be made as rapidly as possible until the list is complete through arrangements now being made.

One Ivers & Pond, upright piano, \$350.00	Heart and Science	1.00
One W. A. Hoffman buggy, \$150.00	Half Hours with Great Authors	1.00
One of Fakes & Co.'s choice bedroom sets Furniture	Intellectual Life	1.00
One two-foot bird windmill	Poems of Passion	1.50
One J. B. Mitchell wagon	Every Day Cook Book	2.00
One Fakes & Co.'s Folding bed	Social Problems	1.25
One Walter A. Wood, mower	The Kentucky Housewife	1.50
High-arm Singer sewing-machine	Josephus' Complete Works	3.00
One Tackabery "Wild West" saddle	Popular American Dictionary	1.00
One No. 10 Norwegian plow	Modern Thinkers	1.25
One case Waukesha Silurian Water, 50 quarts	Taine's English Literature	1.25
One box, 24 pounds, "Horse Shoe" Tobacco	Confessions of an Opium Eater	1.00
One box, 15 pounds, "Climax" Tobacco		
One case, 48-pound cans, Silver Leaf Baking Powder		
One case, 12-pound cans, Silver Leaf Baking Powder		
One case Common Sense Soap		
ONE-HALF PECK MEASURE WATERBURY WATCHES		
Daily Gazette, one year		10.00
Daily Gazette, six months		5.50
Daily Gazette, three months		3.00
Sunday Gazette, one year		2.00
Chambers' Encyclopedia, 6 vols., half-morocco		30.00
Irving's Works, 10 vols., half-alligator		25.00
Dickens's Works, 15 vols., half-morocco		45.00
George Eliot's Works, 8 vols., half-morocco		24.00
Carlyle's Works, 11 vols., half-morocco		33.00
Lord Lytton's Works, 13 vols., half-alligator		32.50
Macaulay's History of England, 5 vols., half-calf		15.00
Green's English People, 4 vols., half-calf		12.00
Gibbon's Rome, 5 vols., half-calf		15.00
Gulzow's History of France, 8 vols., half-morocco		32.00
Dore's Bible Gallery, full-morocco		10.00
Dante's Inferno, full-morocco		10.00
Purgatory and Paradise, full-morocco		10.00
Plutarch's Lives, 3 vols., half-calf		9.00
Macaulay's Essays and Poems, 3 vols., half-calf		7.50
Dore's Paradise Lost, illustrated, full-morocco		10.00

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Smiles' Duty	1.50
Smiles' Thrift	1.50
Smiles' Character	1.50
Two Thousand and Ten Choice Quotations	1.25
Macaulay's Life and Letters	1.50
Dore's Wandering Jew, illustrated	3.00
Racine's Essays	1.25
Treasures, New and Old	6.00
Laurel Leaves	4.00
Lotus Leaves	4.00
Burns' Poetical Works, illustrated	4.50
Byron's Poetical Works, illustrated	4.50
Moore's Poetical Works, illustrated	4.50
Children of the Abbey	1.25
Prose Tales, by Poe	1.50
Don Quixote	1.00
Fern Leaves	1.00
Scottish Chiefs	1.00
Gulliver's Travels	1.00
Sketch Book's, Irving's	1.00

Explanatory Descriptions

Of the principal prizes will be advertised in these columns from week to week as soon as the list is completed, and every premium will be exactly as advertised. This announcement is made in order that the great numbers who are sending in their subscriptions may have the benefit of a chance in this attractive distribution.

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FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 16.

THE CITY.**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

At the Pickwick: P. Rumsey, Santa Fe, N. M.; A. Wood, Dallas; C. B. Hardy, Chicago; William Enders, St. Louis; Leslie Coombs, Lexington, Ky.; Charles E. Whitman, T. B. Coles, St. Louis; A. S. Lyons, Dallas; J. T. Parker, St. Louis; Miss Maggie H. Morrow, Georgetown; Charles L. Higgins, Indianapolis; George T. Meorbacher, Marshall; S. G. Griffin, Taylor; William Scott, state troops; J. C. Redman, G. G. Williams, St. Louis; J. V. Vamooey, Texas; George D. Harrison, Longview; John A. Lee, Louisville, Ky.; F. D. Grice, Galveston; J. G. Johns, Dallas; M. O. Lynn, Palo Pinto; T. A. Coleman, Corpus Christi; J. T. Rogers, St. Louis; J. C. Laine, New York; W. B. Brazleton, Waco.

At the Brunswick: W. A. Archer, Tex.; Dok Kellam, Mansfield; H. M. Sharrett, Mansfield; H. H. Johnson, Abilene; W. F. Johnson, Dallas; J. W. Mathews, Martineville, Va.; A. Dereraux, Decatur; Julie Dereraux, Decatur; D. B. Shaw, Aurora; V. B. Halsey, Colorado City; R. H. Turner, Thorpe Springs; W. H. Jettison, Waxahachie; Frank Smith, Austin.

At the Bellevue: S. Benjamin, Dallas; Chas. E. Sim, El Paso; J. A. Turner, John Black, Denton; Thomas Smiley, Abilene; Harry Johnson, Warsaw, Ind.; L. P. Smith, Henrietta; Mrs. A. Stingley, Decatur; W. R. Booth, Cleburne; Victor Stoltz, South Bond, Ind.; D. W. Brown, Washington, Pa.; Ed. Hood, Montana; T. C. Baxter, Alvarado; O. D. Casselbury, Arlington; John W. Adams and wife, Forney, Tex.; J. W. Scott, St. Louis; J. Henry Smythe, New York.

At the Grand: T. H. Thompson, Duland; T. F. Arlington, Atlanta; Toly Dunning, city; J. C. R. R. Omaha; Adam Porter, Colorado Springs; Joe Flowers, City; Z. D. Thomason, Springtown; Geo. H. Webb, St. Louis.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. G. W. Newby is visiting relatives in Park county.

C. C. Runnill, a prominent cattleman of Gainesville, is here.

George Finger, the genial young mayor of Arlington, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. Duke Murray, business agent of Milton Nobles, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. S. B. Cantey, the popular young attorney, is still quite low with pneumonia.

Col. B. H. Campbell of Wichita, Kan., manager of the Capital syndicate ranches, is here.

Mr. N. W. Lassiter of Ayres & Lassiter has gone to Abilene on legal business.

Mrs. Henry Leeb of Dallas is stopping with her cousin, Mrs. Sam Kaiser, 901 Lamar street.

S. B. Getts and bride are expected to arrive next week, and a grand reception will be given the happy couple.

Mr. F. D. Grice, the clever adjuster of L. & H. Blum of Galveston, came in last night after an extensive tour in the West.

Mrs. Margaret Lucy, who has been a guest of Mrs. John Adamson for several days, has returned to her home in St. Louis.

J. I. Mulkey and J. G. Reeves have formed a partnership in the printing business. Both gentlemen are well known in circles typographical.

Mr. W. J. Scott, ex-postmaster of Denison, came down to take a look at the Fort's new boom yesterday and returned to the Gate city last night.

Miss Emma Hightower, a charming young lady from Bremond, is here on a visit of several weeks' duration to her aunt, Mrs. Walter T. Maddox.

F. L. Roode, general agent for H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, is in the city. Mr. Roode will make a thorough canvass of the state before returning North.

Mr. John Burg, a prominent wagon manufacturer of Burlington, Iowa, stopped over yesterday to take a look at the Fort. He is on his way to California.

Sheriff Maddox went to Dallas yesterday as a witness in the cases against the Fort Worth bankers, on trial in the federal court. He returned home in the afternoon.

This morning Mr. J. W. Burson of the Galveston Tribune and Fort Worth Mail, accompanied by his wife and children, goes to Denison to be present at a family reunion.

Mr. C. M. Crane, of Swayne Bros. & Crane, has gone on a visit to his old home in Athens, Ga., and will probably be gone a month. It is whispered that he will not return alone.

Mr. D. P. Shaw of Aurora was in the city yesterday. He is just from the scene of the terrible cyclone, which passed within sight of Rome, the ravages of which are detailed in a graphic manner by our Aurora correspondent.

LOCALITIES.

In the list of subscribers to the Atchison, Topcka & Santa Fe subsidy omission was made of D. H. Swartz & Bro., photographers, who contributed \$10.

A little girl named Laura Willoughby was seriously injured yesterday by falling off a fence. Her parents, who are new-comers, live at 317 South Cathoon street.

Dr. A. P. Brown was called in, and found the little patient suffering severely from internal injuries.

Sheriffs Boyd and Baylor of Johnson and Parker county passed through the city last night. The latter had two prisoners, one destined for Houston, the other to Austin. One of his prisoners was a Jones county school teacher wanted for forgery. Sheriff Boyd's man was a negro, wanted at Cleburne for a carving escape.

The little folks are enthusiastic over the coming production of "Old King Cole." Juvenile operas are successful in Fort Worth because there are so many really talented little artists among the children. About two hundred children have enrolled for the play. Three hundred and fifty are wanted in order to make it the grandest operatic event of a juvenile nature ever given in this country.

"Snaps" for Strogon.

One hundred supernumeraries are wanted in Michael Strogon. Apply at once to Manager Benton.

Bad Boys.

A couple of white boys threw rocks at the ladies' coach of the east-bound passenger on the Texas & Pacific road as it came through the suburbs of the city last night. They were seen in the act, and the train was stopped and the boys caught. They will hardly repeat such mischief.

HE LOOKS LIKE A SAINT.**An Interview With Claverius, the Murderer of Fannie Lillian Madison.**

Will He Be Hung or Has He Been Unjustly Condemned and Deserves a New Trial?

From the Raleigh (N. C.) Chronicle.

Being in Richmond, Va., for a few days a short time since, curiosity led me to seek an interview with T. J. Claverius, the alleged murderer of his female cousin, Miss Fannie Lillian Madison, the circumstances of which case have attracted so much attention throughout the whole country.

Regarding to the city jail, where the condemned young man is incarcerated awaiting the result of the decision of the court of appeals on appeal for a new trial, I was politely ushered up-stairs and into a reception-room, which, by the way, looks more like a family-sitting room than a place where criminals receive their friends. Having sent him my card with an earnest request to see him, and while viewing the appointments of the room, along which were two large and beautiful growing geraniums placed there for his special benefit, I heard footsteps in the hall, and in a moment the slender form of Claverius made its appearance. As he entered the room, he smiled pleasantly, held out his hand, and with a warm grasp expressed his pleasure to see one who though a stranger—felt interested enough in him to pay him a visit.

After some preliminary remarks, I asked him concerning his hopes for a new trial, in case he obtained one, the probability of an acquittal. Considering the overwhelming evidence against him, circumstantial though it is, I was amazed at his reply, for he answered with a full assurance that there is not the shadow of a doubt either of a new trial or an acquittal. When I asked him why he so thought he replied by saying that, in reference to a new trial, many of the ablest lawyers in the commonwealth—disinterested, too—had agreed with his counsel that many of the exceptions taken on the trial were too plain in his favor to be considered for a moment. With reference to his chances for an acquittal in the event of a new trial, he said there had been a revolution of public opinion in his favor since his conviction, for which assertion I afterward found there was some support.

He added in this connection that two of the commonwealth's most important witnesses had died since the trial, and, independent of the fact that their testimony could not be used against him, the public, always more or less superstitious, regard it as providential, that is, as indicative of his innocence.

Under a new statute, recently passed, Claverius can testify in his own behalf, the same as can persons charged with crime in this state. This he says will enable him, in case of a new trial, to explain away much of the most damaging evidence against him as elicited on the former trial. The famous watch-key, upon the finding of which the commonwealth relied so much for a conviction, he says, can be shown to be not his. An alibi, he says, he will be able to establish beyond the shadow of a doubt. (It will be remembered that the evidence of his identity was the weakest of any introduced by the commonwealth.)

All his old friends, Claverius says, have clung to him unwaveringly throughout his extremity, and have poured out their purses as well as their sympathy at his feet. He says he has all the comforts a man can wish, and many luxuries. He pays the jail and authorities the very highest compliments for the kindly manner in which they have treated him. His mother and aunt, he says, visit him frequently, and their meetings and self-sacrificing devotion, as detailed by him, were truly touching.

In stature Claverius, I think, is about five feet five inches. His complexion is quite florid, and he says his health is remarkably good. His hair is sandy and his head is quite large for a man of his size. He has as pleasant a face as one could wish to see. He wears no beard. He has a beautiful piercing brown eye, which seems never to rest, but is wandering and suspicious. He wears a continual smile, and converses with much freedom and, indeed, elegance of manner. His face is of rather a delicate nature, and there is nothing about it to indicate a vicious character; on the contrary, mildness and gentleness seem to pervade his entire being. If, then, this young man is in truth the perpetrator of the diabolical homicide—indeed, it is homicide and not suicide—with which he is charged, his constitution is a wonderful freak in the system of human nature. He is not yet twenty-four years old, and appears to be not more than twenty-one. He is scrupulously neat in his personal appearance, and dresses well and in good taste.

When I asked him if he would object to giving me his autograph he replied, "no, sir; it would give me much pleasure to do so," and immediately seized a pen, and with a firm, steady hand wrote in delicate characters, "T. J. Claverius, Richmond, Va." He pronounced his name Claverius, accented on the second syllable.

After an interview of more than an hour's duration, I parted with the condemned man, with the hope that if he committed the fatal deed the majesty of the law would be vindicated, and with equally as great hope and desire that he is awarded a new trial, and is in truth "unjustly accused," "twelve men, good and true," will say "not guilty," and thus permit this young man in the springtime of his life to be set at liberty, to be restored to his friends, and to breathe the pure air from heaven once more.

THE JUMPING FISH OF SIAM.

Extraordinary Creatures That Live Alternately in Water and Mud.

Two Years in the Jungle.

We will never know the actual depth of the mud on that bank, but we sank into it to our knees at every step, and were fortunate to stop at that point where a box or basket containing all the latest Parisian styles is sent up for her inspection. Most of the purchasing is done in this way, and a woman is seldom seen in a shop. But in this remark the negroes are excepted. The streets swarm day and night with gorgeously dressed Dinahs, wearing turbans that would shame a passion-flower for color, and usually yellow or red gowns. They chatter like magpies, and seldom seem to be going anywhere or to have any object beyond gossiping with the friends they meet.

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Secretary's Office

Notice is hereby given, in order of the board of directors of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company, that a meeting of the holders of said company is to be held at the general office of the company at the city of Galveston, Texas, on the 14th day of June next, 1886, at 10 o'clock, a. m., to consider and vote upon the increase of the stock of said company so that the same shall amount to ten millions of dollars, and also the obtaining of an amendment to the charter of the company so that the same shall read as follows:

OPERA - HOUSE**Monday and Tuesday, April 17 and 18, 1886.****GRAND MATINEE ON THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1886.**

The management has the honor to announce that the grand opera "The Mikado" will be given at the Opera House on Thursday, April 19, 1886, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

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Suddenly, and at the same time, the front part of the body ground by means of the arm and hand, which act like the arms of a scissor. These two bones in their structure are giving the members great movement. Owing to the yielding nature of the levers were short, being the distance time, but they were so arranged very deep, and our progress fish always succeeded in their holes before we could get our hands for them. Their burrows going straight down to a depth of four feet, large enough to admit of a man's arm, and course, full of water. All was soft it was not sticky, and was able to use our hands for effectually. By digging a deep and standing on only the bottom of it we were able to down two feet further and was at the bottom of the hole was for us that they had a poisonous spider, which stung me, and I was in a moment paralyzed my right hand for some time.

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